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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record in view of the following amendments and remarks. Inasmuch as the Office Action sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response, to expire on October 31, 2008, Applicants file this response concurrently with a Request for One-Month Extension of Time and the requisite fee. If any additional fees are necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, the Office is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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